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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, APPROVING A PERMANENT ROAD CLOSURE ON NORTH ATLANTIC BOULEVARD AT NE 23RD STREET APPROXIMATELY 300 FEET EAST OF NORTH OCEAN BOULEVARD WITHIN THE LAUDERDALE BEACH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale ("CITY") has a compelling interest in improving public and vehicular safety and navigability throughout the CITY's roadways; and

WHEREAS, the residents of Lauderdale Beach Homeowners Association ("HOA") are concerned about pedestrian safety and anticipated cut through traffic from adjacent developments on North Atlantic Boulevard by the beach promenade; and

WHEREAS, North Atlantic Boulevard at NE 23 Street currently functions as a one-way street to southbound vehicular and pedestrian traffic; and

WHEREAS, the CITY received a request from the HOA to hold a Public Hearing to adopt a resolution approving the permanent road closure of approximately 300 feet east of North Ocean Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, fully closing the roadway will prevent vehicular traffic from accessing NE 23 Street from North Atlantic Boulevard to the north with pedestrian and bicycle traffic continuing to have access at this intersection under this proposal; and

WHEREAS, the HOA has committed to fund the cost of the installation of the road closure and all costs associated with the maintenance, including the electronic gate; and

WHEREAS, per the City's existing Traffic Engineering Agreement with Broward County, Broward County Traffic Engineering Division ("BCTED") will maintain all signage and pavement markings associated with the closure upon review and approval of the final road closure design; and

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WHEREAS, staff will coordinate with the HOA to design and construct a suitable road closure that will maintain permanent access for pedestrian and bicycle access on North Atlantic Boulevard to NE 23 Street;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

<u>SECTION 1</u>. That the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, hereby approves the permanent road closure of North Atlantic Boulevard at NE 23rd Street, within the Lauderdale Beach Homeowners Association, to vehicular traffic.

<u>SECTION 2</u>. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon final passage.

ADOPTED this the _____ day of _____, 2018.

Mayor DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

City Clerk JEFFREY A. MODARELLI